

## **2009 Alabama Youth Sheep Expo**

### **Schedule of Events**

Sunday March 1, 2009

8 AM	Barns open
10 AM to 12 PM	Sheep Check-in and weigh-in
1 PM	Show Starts (Breeding Sheep, Showmanship, Market Lamb)

### **Breeding Sheep Show Rules**

1. To be eligible to participate in this event, the exhibitor must not be more than (1) one year out of high school, and at least 4 years of age the day of the show, and a resident of Alabama. Exhibitors under the age of 4 wishing to participate need to contact the show management.

2. Exhibitors can submit an unlimited number of entries. There is no limit on the number of breeding sheep an exhibitor can show.

3. This event is for breeding sheep, including ram lambs. All breeds and crossbreeds are eligible. Rams born between January 1, 2008 and January 15, 2009 are eligible to show. Commercial (non-registered) rams ARE allowed. Rams are NOT required to be bred and/or born at the exhibitor's farm. All breeding ewes, to be eligible to show, must be born between September 1, 2006 and January 15, 2009. However, ewes that have/will/could give birth to lamb(s) between February 20, 2009 and March 31, 2009 are not recommended to be shown. All lambs born on or after January 15, 2009 must show with their dam, which must meet age requirements as posted above.

4. All registered sheep (including ewes and rams) must be the property of and recorded in the same name of the exhibitor or the exhibitor's farm name by February 1, 2009. Original registration papers issued by the breed associations will be checked for verification of ownership. Only sheep properly registered in the appropriate breed association will be allowed to show in the registered breeding sheep classes.

5. Any breed of sheep not having a minimum of 10 registered sheep with 2 or more exhibitors in a breed will be placed into an All Other Breeds(AOB) class for that gender or class. The All Other Breeds classes could include AOB Yearling Ewes, AOB Ewe Lambs and/or AOB Rams depending upon participation. There will be no single entry classes. Grouping of breeds not meeting the minimum will be at the discretion of the superintendent.

6. To enter the Breeding Sheep Show, please complete the 2009 ALABAMA SHEEP EXPO ENTRY FORM. Entry forms must be postmarked by February 1, 2009 and mailed to the office of Andy Tipton & Audrey McCord, AL Department of Agriculture & Industries, AG Compliance Division, P.O. Box 3336-Room 24, Montgomery, AL 36109; email. Andy.tipton@agi.alabama.gov; phone (334) 240-7304 or fax (334) 240-7193. You may access the ENTRY FORM or REGISTER ONLINE at [www.bamajlp.com](http://www.bamajlp.com).

7. All sheep are required to be on the grounds by noon on March 1, 2009 . Pens will be assigned and all sheep will be stalled in the assigned pens. All sheep are required to remain in the immediate vicinity of the Lewis/Teague complex. Exhibitors are not allowed in the horse barns.

8. Each animal will be identified with either (1) Scrapie ear tag (commercial breeding sheep) or (2) Flock ear tag (registered breeding sheep) as listed on registration papers. All sheep exhibiting in this event are required to have a Scrapie ear tag. It is recommended that all breeding sheep exhibited be enrolled in the “Scrapie Flock Certification Program”.

9. A representative of the State Veterinarian’s office will inspect all sheep that come on the grounds of the 2009 Alabama Youth Sheep Expo . Sheep showing evidence of untreated lamb fungus will be treated on-site. Sheep with active lesions may be subject to quarantine or returned to farm. Sheep showing evidence of sore mouth, active lamb fungus or other infectious or communicable diseases will not be allowed in the barn.

10. The use of premises ID’s is encouraged on the entry form, if available. If needed, a premises ID can be obtained the day of the show. Please see a member of the show management to obtain your premises ID.

11. All animals will be exhibited at the owner’s risk. Feed and care is the responsibility of the owner/exhibitor.

12. Exhibitors are required to show their own animals, unless an exhibitor has more than one entry in the same class. In this event, an age-appropriate volunteer may show the other entry. Unruly animals may be asked to leave the ring at the judge’s decision.

13. Four to 6 year olds and documented handicapped exhibitors may receive assistance in the show ring by an age-appropriate volunteer. An age-appropriate volunteer is anyone meeting the age requirements of this event. Showmanship classes are based on age as of show date.

14. Painting is not allowed. No inhumane treatment of animals will be allowed.

15. Positively, NO open fires, charcoal fires, grills, cooking or food preparation will be allowed In the barns, pens, displays, or show areas.

16. NEW—The Show Committee reserves the right to mouth all ewes for age and ewe lambs must have their milk teeth.

16. NEW—Young Flock class will consist of one ram and two ewes. All sheep in young flock must have been shown in their respective classes.

17. NEW—Team Showmanship Class will consist of two eligible youth exhibiting one breeding sheep. Signup for Team Showmanship will be on the day of the show.

### **Spring Market Lamb and Prospect Show (NEW)**

1. Exhibitors may submit an unlimited number of entries, however, an exhibitor may only show a maximum of four (4) market lambs.
2. Ewe lambs may be shown in both the Breed Show and the Market Lamb Show.
3. Market Lambs must possess milk teeth.
4. Market Lambs should have a suggested minimum weight of 40 pounds and be weaned.
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6. Market lamb classes will be determined by weight.
7. To enter the Market Lamb Show, please complete the 2009 ALABAMA SHEEP EXPO ENTRY FORM. Entry forms must be postmarked by February 1, 2009 and mailed to the office of Andy Tipton & Audrey McCord, AL Department of Agriculture & Industries, AG Compliance Division, P.O. Box 3336-Room 24, Montgomery, AL 36109; email. [Andy.tipton@agi.alabama.gov](mailto:Andy.tipton@agi.alabama.gov); phone (334) 240-7304 or fax (334) 240-7193. You may access the ENTRY FORM or REGISTER ONLINE at [www.bamajlp.com](http://www.bamajlp.com).